Items Gathered from the Latest Washington Dispatches-

Booking to Release the National Bank Geld Recorvo.

Fian to Absorb Gressbacke- & Labor Cir-The World's Cereal Crop

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Washington, Dec. 30.-Representative Smith, of Michigan, has introduced in the house a bill embracing a new plan to absorb the greenback and Threasury notes and release in their iostead the gold beld by banks as rec serves. The bill has been submitted to Senator Sherman, Chairman Dingand Comptroller Eckels, Mr. Smith

says, and has been approved by them. we The principal change which Mr. Smith's plan proposes is the substitupary notes, which include the greenoacks, and demand paper for the pre-tent requirement of "lawful money" or reserves. This would withdraw She currency which now keeps in modion the "endless chain" and release the gold in its stead. Mr. Smith says that according to the last report of he comptroller of the currency there was in the banks individual deposits, States deposits and decosits of the United States disbursbg officers the sum of \$1,715,194,860m amount approximating the reserve aquired. He estimates that \$350,000, rivals at the immigration station were 10 of treasury notes and United States 167,063 and for 1803 they were 152,944. otes would be immediately taken up and held by the banks under his plan. A Labor Circular.

WARMINGTON, Dec. St. - Circulars have Wright to the labor leaders in the y the department. The matters are brought a much larger sum Opulred to be non-partisan and to rethe to the general welfare of the peoe. Among the responses is one from e Knights of Labor general excouso board suggesting the question of a feasibility of the government sening opportunities for employment government works to all such citias as cannot secure work at any prite employment. The letter of the nights of Latior closes as follows:

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eases and it attendant miseries and securapportunities for all the men of the mation
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for questions pale into insignificance. If
a fall take two of your bost men and let
take way on this question with energy and
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A New Bond Issue.

There is now

reasonable doubt that another bond tatie has been fully agreed upon, and hat the details of a contract with a adicate of which Mr. J. Pierpont egrgan is the head have been ar-. red, so that nothing remains to be the to carry it into effect but for the retary of the treasury to sign his me thereto. Thus the president is paped for any emergency, and there o doubt that should heavy with. wals of gold for export again set in ther issue would be announced. et fact that there have been no withphwals for export within the last reral days, although sterling exingo has ruled at or above the shipor points, gives credence to an opin schald in treasury circles that the diet has already begun to feel the sicate influence against exports. Cereal Crop Short.

ashisoros, Dec. so -Official calations made in Russia and transited to the state department show t the present year's harvest of als lo the whole world is much faller than last year's, and compared 1894 the decrease is, in at, 150,407,000 bushels, and rye, 971 000 bushels. Other grains turne better. In Russia, the harvest thort, 55,371,733 bushels of wheat 25,345,418 bushels of rye. The Rusfluencial organ therefore com ds the policy adopted by Russian ers of holding back their grains to in butter prices inter on.

Free Delivery to lie Extended. ANHINGTON, Dec. 30.-A number of offices throughout the country be allowed free delivery service bouth. There are now 613 free err offices and about 90 more are led under the regulations, to be od to the list. The post office demeat is making a general investibut but in many the sentiment is ers to free delivery.

A. E. WOMEN SOCIETIES. chief Walker to Units Them late One

d a general order in which he ap-tract Communders in Chief S. R. tt William Warper, A. G. Weis-S R Adams and Thomas G. similar committee from the city. senson's societies to effect a of all these accieties into one

moved. The movement is indurace by the members of the G. A. R.

Resigned to Take Another LA GHANGE, Mo., Dec. 31. - Dr. J. F. Cook, LL. D., resigned the presidency of the La Grange Baptlat colleg yeaterday, after completing his 30th year in that office, to accept the presidency of Wabb City college.

A Washington dispatch says that it is probable that the house committee Pwinty-seven Persons Crushed to Death in on interstate and foreign commerce will take up at an early date the amendment of the interstate commerce act in such a way as to permit pooling by the railways.

TWO BIG ROBBERIES.

Diamond Thieves Get About 875,000 from

New York, Dec. 30.-In addition to the robbery of \$65,000 worth of diamonds and lewelry from the Madison square mansion of I. Townsend Barden ley, of the ways and means committee. Friday night, it now transpires that another robbery, similar in its mode of execution, was committed the same evening in the house of Mrs. Francis N. Barnes, at 239 Central pion of United States notes and treas Park, West, at about the same hour at which the Burden house was robbed The loss in the case of Mrs. Rarnes. owever, was considerably less than that of the Burden's, aggregating not more than \$10,000.

THIS YEAR'S IMMIGRATION.

An Increase of Sixty Thousand Over 1894, but Their Character is Better. New YORK. Dec. 31.—Thus far in December 13,149 immigrants have landed. Estimating 14,000 for this month the total for 1895 is 299,607 and the increase over last year 61,944. For 1894 the arrivals at the immigration station were Deputy Commissioner McSweeney says the character of the immigrants s much better than in previous years. This improvement is due to the peen lasted by Commissioner of Labor rigid enforcement of the immigration laws, he says. The immigrants last plied States, salving for suggestions year brought \$4,000,000 with them. or topics for brief original inquiries The immigrants of this year have

SHERMAN'S STATEM NT.

The Senator Expresses His Views on the Venezuelan Houndary Controversy. Washington, Dec. 31.—Senator Sher-man has given out the following statement in regard to the Venezueian com-

relations, much less of war. I am strongly in favor of the general principle amounced by President Mource that his Duties States will regard any forcible invasion of the territory of an American state by a Ferropean gover as an unfrindly set. The boundary question be-tween Venezuela and Great Britain ha-been the subject of controversy for many pern, the subject of controversy for many years, and is a proper question to be settled by arbitration between those powers. Before the announcement of this doctrins by Mr. Monree Great Striain had sequired from Holland a settlement at British Guissa. The country between that passession and the settlements in Venetucia in was an uncernpied territory of Hitle value except for salarials. The inroads of English settlers upon this region have given rise to disputes between the two

governments, and each at different times has refused to arbitrate the quention of boundary. I do not feel justified in criticising the presi-dent for his message, as his assection and den-nition of the Mouroo doctrine is. I b lieve, a correct one, and whether it is a dogma of in All parts of America are new occunied by civilized and Christian nations, the descend-ants of European ancestors, and they are no longer open to the conquests of European

The refusal of Lord Salisbury to orbitrate this question of boundary naturally created a feeling of resentment but recent indications that this refusal will not be insisted upon by Freat Britain have changed the whole of public opinion, and now I believe the United tos will, with the same unanlinity expressed apon between the two countries interested declaring that any boundary line fixed by the two contestants will be cheerfully acqu

Oklahoma Wolf Brive,

drive took place near the Cherokee line, 15 miles east of here, yesterday. One-half of the township was driven, about 150 sportsmen taking part. Eighteen coyotes and seven gray wolves were killed. A number escaped by one line disobeying the orders in routed by the dogs, but escaped. Sev- mained scated. eral cattle have been mysteriously killed in that vicinity this winter, and the presence of the cougar explained it, and a hunt will be made for him.

George R. Smith Post's Record. SEDALIA, Mo., Dec. 81,-Gen. George was notified yesterday by J. W. Scott. department inspector, that George R. it has made the largest increase of membership of any post in the state.

Duchess of Mariborough III. London, Dec. 31. - The young duchess -Donesto, Ill., Dec. 31. - Com- with typhoid fever. A private letter ter-in-Chief I. N. Walker, of the from there announces this. The fever a Army of the Republic, has just was contracted while she was in now remains to be done but a

VIENNA, Dec. 31,-A violent earthqualite shock was felt yesterday at Wieor as a committee to sot in unison ner, Neustadt, 13 miles south of this

WEATHER FORECASE.

int their energies may be conted and strengthened and all
the distributions among the comted the G. A. E. may be reted the G. A. E. may be reted the G. A. E. may be re-

Result of a Foolish Alarm of Fire During a Performance.

Rush for the Exit Is Made.

the Attempt to Escape from the Crowded Building-All a False Atarm.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 28.—In a senseless panie caused by a defective gas burner and a foolish cry of fire, at the old Front Street theater, last night, 27 people were killed, two fatally injured and ten more seriously burt. Up to one o'clock this morning, but four of the dead had been identified Almost all the victims are of Polish nativity and Hebraic extraction, and many of the injured were taken to their homes by friends, rendering it almost impossible to get a complete

The theater, which is probably the oldest in the city, was filled from pit to dome with people who had assembled to listen to Hebrew opera, which has been given in the old house twice week for the past month. The ticket office receipts show that over 2,700 tickets had been sold when, at eight o'clock, the sale of seats was stopped because there were no more left. General admission tickets were sold, however, after this, and it was supposed that there were at least 3,000 people within the walls when the curtain went up on the first act.

Ten minutes after the curtain rose, one of the attendants went up to the second tier to light a gus jet which appeared to been extinguished. As be turned the cock and applied a match it was seen that there was no tip to the burner. The jet was well down to ward the stage on the left side of the house, in plain view of the greater part of the audience, but as the glare from it showed against the wall, some one in the gallery shouted, "Fire! Fire!

Fire!"
In an lastant there was a mad seramble for the door, in which the whole audience took part. The vanguard of the terror-stricken multitude reached the entrance on Front street, pushed on by the howling, shricking mob behind them. There those in the foremost rank were compelled to turn to the right and to the laft to reach the double entrance way, built in the form of a storm door. Passing through these doors, they reached a flight of steps, lending from each door, downward to a landing, from whence a broad stairway of moderate height would have carried them into the street and to safety. The steps leading from the doorways are but about five feet high, but the landing at their base is narrow. Down these the frightened people hustled themselves in the frightful struggle to reach the open air, and to escape the certain

eath they thought was behind them. As the crowds from the two doors, one on the right, and the other on the left, reached the landing, they met. There was a brief straggle, and then some one lost his or her footing and fell. In a moment the crowd, pushed with irresistible force from the rear. crowded upon the prostrate form, and presently to fall prone upon the floor under the myriads of feet coming like a herd of frightened buffulo from be-

In less time than it takes to tell it. the landing was packed 20 or 30 deep with the panlo-stricken multitude, and the hundreds behind them were struggling over them to reach the street.

The tumult attracted an immense crowd from the outside, many of whom tried to gain entrance to the theater, thus adding to the confusion. A dozen policemen, also attracted by the shricks of the frightened crowd. hurried to the scene, and, using their clubs on these on the outside, pushed HENNESSEY, Olc., Dec. 31 .- A big wolf- through the door and to the writhing mass on the landing. When the mass on the landing had been cleared, the frightened mob on the inside were quieted down sufficiently to enable the police to clear the theater. Then it was found that there had been no danger and that not a soul would have closing in too quickly. A cougar was been injured had the audience but re-

GREAT SILVER LEAGUE.

Cursolication of Several Elmetallic Grgantentions-lisudquarters in Chicago CHICAGO, Dec. 10 .- For some time R. Smith post, G. A. R., of this city, for a complete consolidation of the past regolistions have been pending American Bimetallic league, National Bimetaillo union and the National Smith post's annual report shows that Silver committee, the three principal silver organizations in the United States, representing all sections of the country. These negotiations have oulminated in an agreement by the repreof Marlborough is seriously iii in Rome sentatives of the respective organizations by which consolidation has been substantially perfected. Nothing ratification by the executive committee of these organisations, each acting coparately, which will speedily follow. The consulidated association will be known as the American Bimetallle union. Its principal of-See and gradual beniquariers will be to be called upon to built themselves in residues on the forming a synchrate in New York and They due thereous he tonigs residents of the appearance springing as in all chimney and chimney for the appearance of the appearance o offices occupied by the National Di-Transpalant the government is immuning in the large cities.

south. It is the purpose of the organiration to press the campaign of education on behalf of bimetallism with the atmost vigor in all parts of the country. A conference of preminent allvar men will be held in Washington on January 22, when a plut of action will be outlined, which, it is said, will have A Panie immediately Results and a Wild an important bearing on political

> A Coban Rubet Chief Shot. Mannin, Dec. 28 - A Havana dis-patch says the rebel chief Aciebo was shot yesterday at Clenfregos. The return of Gen. Campos to Havana is much commented on here.

WEEKLY TRADE REVIEW. The President's Financial Jewage Had a

New Your, Dec. 29.- E. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Frade says:
The fallures of the fourth conter of the year
1800, not yet finished, cannot be definitely
stated, but the agreeque of intered habilities
for the year, while much smaller than in 1802
will vary but little from that of 1804. The
read's agreement of commercial lightities with reas's agaregate of commercial Nabilities will probably be about \$170,900,000 in manufacturing over \$20,000,000, or ten per cent more than last year, but in trailing about \$88,000,000, or nine per cent less than last year.

the industries cannot be expected to show this of improvement until the New Year be-plus Order have for months been so much consider than they were in the summer, when

production was expanding and prices mount-ing rapidly, that how course of uncertainty mye the more infinence.

In the great textile manufactures the usual molding culiness is increased by a fearth of orders, though there is some accumulation of

I serving orders.
The shoe and leading business does not improve and both leather and manufactured seed section slightly, though speculation is pain hosisting hides about ton per cent, for all a two weeks and for some kinds 5 per cent. Whom and cotton were depressed by last week's panie and nave had little time to re-cover. What receipts continue one recous for the weak of 2.781.071 bookets against 1,722.38

the weak of 2.791.071 bosheds against 1.721.98 had year and Adautic exports flour included have been 7.27.931 busheds in four half of the property of the property of the first weeks of December against 5.751.99 has year. Hussian and other supplies are morting freely, official estimates are sholly forgotion and the men who predicted 11 wheat have disappeared; other bas remained at 44 contistions has Saturday and enormous commercial and milt stocks from and abroad with a demand for goods much smaller than in September Minder an advance. The quantity which has come into sight in 30 per cent, less thin has year to date but slightly larger than in 1991, when the grop was a 5.000 byles.

Fallures for its sum first year and 40 in Canada against 11 inst year.

Canada against 41 last year. THE RECENT LYNGSING.

the burning of Mrs. Hattle Wext and the killing of a W. A. Dever by 6ve \$182,500,000, making the deficit \$15,000. Ities. In his imaginal address the men Saturday night. Resolutions con-demning the crime were adopted. A receipts were light, being \$25,250,000, washing the sentence of the law for the arrived work of receipts were light, being \$25,250,000, vigorously. He will offer a reward of other arrived work of receipts were light, being \$25,250,000, vigorously. He will offer a reward of other arrived others is progressing and everything fund was raised to employ a detective to ald in ferreting out the criminals. The people, the county and the governor have offered rewards for the apprehension of the men.

Alma, the 14-year-old daughter of Dever, will perhaps be able to identify the murderers. They threatened to or \$15,000,000. kill her, too, if she did not cease beg-ging for her father's life. The girl has told a detailed story of the affair, and, while each of the men was a stranger to her, she is confident that she can identify them. The sentiment is acthat there is little doubt of the ulti- retreat from the position she has taken to give me their undinching support. mate arrest and conviction of the men. up, and that the United States will not

DALLAS, Tex. Dec. 28 -A letter to George Cummings, superintendent of Hambrick's cattle and sheep ranch in Sterling county, says five Mexican berders and a woman and a girl ware drowned in the Concho river during the great storm that swept over the Concho valley and the greater portion of west Teras.

NEWS NOTES.

An American loan of \$150,000,000 at 354 per cont. about to be regotiated at Frankfort-on-Main y the Morcans the Deutsche bank groups.

Heavy frosts provailed throughout California mday night. The temperature was 15 shore zero at Elverside and vicinity and serious damage to symbols is reported. At Knoxville, Tenn., Monday, Orvill Huskin-

son, Hyears old, killed Frank Hopkins, sons. age. The bury quarreled and Hopkins borrowed a electron to kill Hawkinson. The latter grabbed the gen and shot his averilant. The arrival in Washington Monday night of

grain busilles, taking procedures own Appleby, who was beretofore supposed to be the original much damage there by the which investor of the salf binder. The United pressing prestured that a syn

Scate is being formed in Berim and Londor to take up the proposed United States ions. The lastd will, it is believed, experience or enped, principal insponsions will proceed in Berlin for difficulty in inspirating the proposed special percent book, insued at about pur. The Low- new basic of bonds. Information gath- Four Score, Kan., Dec. 21 - John Joythe prominent American banners.

Four score, Rana, Des. 21.— Sont sore boundary lines. Four persons were den and James Key, atrangers, arrests killed and so injured, many of the late applications. Asymptotic from very

to Their Nativa Land.

Annual Chicago Stock Yards Report Shows an Increase.

The Annual Report Shows a Decreuse is Cattle Receipts and as Increase in Other Live Work-Phines Don Their War Paint.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31. - Fifty of the 1,800 Chinamen in Chicago are listed for deportation to their native land. In A Woman and Her Parameur Burned to ectors under the supervision of United States Deputy Collector Morris Canada either by an "underground daughter of the murdered man road" of friends or stowed away in

stock, except cattle. The number of missed fire, and Deveres killed him on cattle received during the year was the spot. On the plea of self-defense 2,580,586, a decrease of 388,177 as compared with 1894. The increase in the ized the neighborhood by immediately 000 in 1892. The highest price was 10 o'clock a band of men rolle up to the

Killispoo tribes have donned their war | was greeted with a shower of shots paint and taken up arms to avenge

the death of their tribesman.

Washington, Dec. 31.—The figures odutions Condemning the Crime at of treasury receipts and expenditures FRANKFORT, Ky., Dec. 31.—Gov. Brad-Lebanos, Sy.; and Fanite Based to Ferret for the first half of the fiscal year 1824 key feels that the law has been greatly Out the Criminals Lientson, Ky., Dec. 31 — Nearly 1,000 official statement to be issued Thurs-exple assembled at the couplings official statement to be issued Thurspeople assembled at the courthouse day, January 2, will show approximate and Mrs. T. J. West at the nands of a yesterday afternoon to take action on ly that the receipts for the six months made near Lacanow Sunday. He is

SUBSTITUTE FOR AUDITRATION.

Gazette, in an article headed "A Way large both look with the same horror strongly against the selion of the mob Out," says that Great Brilain cannot upon this crime, and will not be slow retreat from theirs, and suggests that both countries agree on a board of conboth countries agree on a married or con-ciliation, not binding themselves, as in the asset of schiltration to accord its. Disseitsfied with Their Employer's in the case of arbitration, to accept its Teams. decisions, but, on the chance of the

A WHECK ON THE B. & G.

gineers of both trains.

A Reary Gate in the East. of President Crisco, and causing him combined miles an hour. In the interior of the day. Dunior and Locai, the argra, in state the storm was very severe. At his employ during the year and be-The United States court of account has decid- Little Falls the West Shore rallway came dissatisfied with him and notified of that M. L. Gorman of Rockford, Hi. was the fracks were washed out and considers him that he would have to quit the avenue of the first drives for the self-mixing able damage done to property. Re place on the beginning of the new purts from the Adirondsees indicate year. In the evening, walls Durlee

Ever beighers to bold themselves in residings our points. J. Pierpont Morgan is terday dug out of jull and excepted.

officers, missionaries and corresponding members of the Northwestern district of the American Sumitay School union pened to-day and will continue until shnuary & Elight states were represented-Illinois, Iowa, Nebruska, Win-consin, Minnesota, North and South Dakota and northern Michigan.

A Fire at Bother, Ata. ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 1 - A message was coolved from Butler, Ala., stating that that town was on fire and that a great loss was threatened. After that message was received the wires weni down, and it has been impossible to tearn the extent of the loss.

BRUTAL LYNCHING.

Death in Kentuck LEBANON, Ky., Dec. 3L-Within two L. Griffith has been engaged in taking miles of this city last night a release census of the colony. Fifty anspects have been found and are stated who was in a delicate condition and for roturn to their fatherland riddled with bullets ber gray-haired unless they can furnish evidence of proper registration. Most of them will not be able to do this. Thomas West and William Deveres—Chinamen who have no registration were found in the rules of the woman's papers come over the border from home yesterday by the 14-year-old The affair was the outerowth of the

the holds of lake vessels. In order to old story of faithless wife and rengeexclude any who may have arrived ful husband. Several months ago since the registration act went into Deveres, a middle-aged widower, was accused by Thomas West, a prosperous farmer, of latimacy with Mrs. West.

The Chicago Stock Yards. CHICAGO, Dec. 31 .- The annual re- the fall, until West Instituted divorce port of the Union Stock Yards Co. has proceedings and declared Deveres and the fire threatened been issued and shows a big increase must die. The men met at Lebauon stroy the whole plant. in the receipts at the yards of all live and West anapped his revolver, which other live stock was as follows: Calves, taking his two daughters and moving 7,655; hogs, 456,659; sheep, 509,099; into West's house. The relatives of the sorses, 16,365. Receipts of Texas cut- murdored husband swore vengeance tle were only 300,000 head, against 717, and Saturday night it came. Close to West homestend and demanded admittance. "Tom West is dead. Now. Victoria, B. C., Dec. 31.—The steamer it's your turn," the spokesman called Danube, which returned from Alaska and Deveres and the woman awoke to yesterday, reports more trouble is find their house surrounded. Mrs. brewing at Sitka over the murder of a West rushed to a darkened window young Indian of the Killiapoo tribe, in and began a wild, hysterical plea for which connection two men of the mercy. A dozen culters answered her United States cutter Wolcott, together crics and the demand for immediate with a couple of miners and thirteen surrender was repeated. Deveres, too, Kake Indians, have been arrested. The justed for a hearing, but his request

The little girl came out to plead with the mob but her appeals were unbesided. The house was fired and the man and woman bursel to death.

COV BRADL Y INDIGHANT,

He Feels That the Terrib - Trugely at Lean excess of receipts over expenses of and conviction of the unknown mem-\$500,000. Because of heavy interest bers of the mob, and issue a proclamapayments in January and the maturity tion accordingly. Gor. Bendley gave of \$1,320,000 of Pacific railroad bonds, out the following to the press: "I reit is anticipated that the month of Jane gard the work of the mon at Lebanon uary will show a deficit of \$10,000,000 as the most outrageous and barbarous grime ever committed in Kentucky. I shall spare neither labor nor A London Paper Presents a Way Out of the | to the punishment which they so righly Venezuelan Dimenty.

London, Due 51.—The Westminster of Marion county not of the state at

ANDERSON, Ind., Dec. 31 -All of the conciliators being able to suggest a skilled men in the thaning department compromise acceptable to both come of the National plate works went on a | The combination car of the Louisville strike yesterday, and will be followed to-day by all of the makilled workers. An Operator's Carclesances (noess Two Heretofore the mon have been paid by the hoor. They received notice that CINCINNATE Dec 31.-The Louisville in the future the men would be put on express, which left this city at 7:05 p. piece work at four cents per box. The m., and the St. Louis accommodation, men refuse to accept that and claim due here at 7:05 collided on the Balti- that it is at least one cent cheaper than more & Ohio Southwestern railway, paid by any other fin plate plent in the near Coal City, 14 miles from Cincin-united States. They state they are nail. Fireman Wilson, of the Louis-out for good sather than to take these ville express and an unknown man prices, which will not, even under the were killed, the latter being burned most favorable circumstances, make it to the Louisville train an order to wait under the wreek. Six persons were possible for the skilled workers to at Delhi and let the St. Louis train seriously injured, among them the and make \$1 per day. The national is one of the largest tin plate plants.

Milled by a Negro t mploye.

was on his way to his quarters Leech mest him in the road and without any warning leveled his gun at Dunles and New York, Dec. 31 .- President Clere shot him in the head. The negro os-

An Explosion in a Furnace Caused by an Engineer.

Five Vicksburg Fireman Springsly Injured by Exploding Powder.

A Fire in a Rardware Store Causes Some

Powder to Explode and Pive Men. Are Burn-Fire Cump in a Colliers.

CHICAGO, Dec. 81.—A panie was created among the 35 employes of the intermediate in-take crib of the Chicago water works last night. Surrounded by the waters of the lake and isolated from communication with the land they saw themselves threatened with death by fire. The men are workmen employed in extending the Chicago avenue in-take tunnel to the two-mile crib. James Whitney was the second cook of the gang. About 9:30 o'clock he was warming himself at the door of the former when the engineer threw into the flames a big bunch of oil waster Gas was developed the instant the oil touched the embers and a mass of burning material was thrown through the furance door on Whitney, A sound as of an explosion went through the crib. Whitney was knocked down. His clothing was ignited and the fire threatened to de-Great excitement prevailed, amid which sigunis of distress were made by means of alarm in the city. In a few minutes a tog was steaming toward the crib as fast as the screw could be driven. The ron was quickly made and Whitney was taken on board and brought to the city. He was so hadly injured by the burns and the exposure that it is thought he cannot recover. His home

is in Columbus, O. Five Ffremen Tojured. Vicusimina, Miss., Dec. 31.-Wright Bros.' hardware store, a large four-story hullding, was discovered on fireon the third floor at 9:30 last night and burning rapidly. The stock, values at \$50,000, is a total loss, with insurance of \$30,000. The building was owned by the Wadsworth estate and valued at \$15,000 and insured for \$6,600. Five firemen were seriously injured by an explosion of powder on the third floor. A second explosion caused the division wall between the store and the Delta Bank bullding to collapse. The fire did no serious damage to the

adjoining buildings. Explosion of Fire Damp BRESLAU, Dec. 31 .- An explosion of fire damp occurred in a colliery at Waldenburg, Prussiau Silesia, 43 miles southwest of this city, to-day. Difty miners are known to have been killed or injured and 17 others are missing. Twenty-one bodles have already been recovered and 12 of the injured minera

possible is being done for the sujured. TRAINS COLLIDE

Fatal Accident on the Saltimare & Obto-

CINCINNATI, Dec. 51.- Two passenger trains collided at 7:20 last night on the Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern rallway, near Coal City, 14 miles from Cincinnati. They were the Lonisville express, which left this city at 7:00 p. m., and the St. Louis accommodation, dur here at 7:05. The latter was an hour ate. The wildest rumors of loss of life were soon current. The hospitals were put in readiness and police quarters were promptly equipped for the care of the injured. When information was obtained from the scene it was found that there were two killed and six injured. Both engines were totally wrecked, as the engineers had express and the express car on the train from St. Louis were telesconed The dead are: Fireman Wilson,of the Louisville express and an unknown

man, burned under the wrack. Of the injured four were trainmen, three of whom are thought to be fatally burt, one passenger and an express

messenger slightly injured. The cause of the necident was the fallure of the operator at Storrs station, within the city limits, to report pass it there. The brains when they alghted each other, a mile this side of Coal City, were going at full speed, New Yosk, Dec 31 -A cold wave HELENA, Ark., Dec 31 -A negro, 19 and had but little time to slow up Constraint of the control of the con terribe. The injury to passengers other than those named was very slight The Louisville express was

beavily loaded. Methon Thomas at War.

New York, Dec. 31.-A special from Oxuca, Mex., says: "A pitched battle occurred recently between the inhubitants of Hultzel and Ean Juan del-Estado, as the outgrowth of a bitter sumity that has existed for some time between those pipeet concerning their The Transvall government has surfaced the of honds have been received from early robone tirant Slater in this city, yesecclored to the scape of the righting and tobic other sevents."

Buillion Brainer Account Washington, Dec 21 -Junios Brew-er of the United States suprime const.